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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-FULLY RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is in response to the March 22, 2007 Notice mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on in the above-identified application. A five month extension of time for filing an Amendment and Reply to Notice of Non-Fully Responsive Amendment is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows: